October 25, 2007

BULLITT COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT LOCAL/STATE BOARD FACILITIES HEARING REPORT

A Local/State public hearing was held at the Bullitt County Board of Education on October 25, 2007, at 5:30 p.m. (EDT). The purpose of the public hearing was to propose a new District Facility Plan developed by the Bullitt County Local Planning Committee. The Local Planning Committee (LPC) voted unanimously in favor of the proposed new plan and the Board voted 5-0 to approve the new plan.

There were (10) ten individuals in attendance. Grover Canty, Facilitator for the Kentucky School Boards Association, served as the district-appointed hearing officer.

COMMENTS

Dr. Helen Harrah called the public hearing to order and welcomed the hearing officer to the district. The hearing officer outlined the purpose of the hearing and the hearing procedures in accordance with 702 KAR 1:001. It was explained that those persons wishing to speak would be given the opportunity and that written statements would be accepted. It was also noted that all considerations will be made available to the Kentucky Board of Education via the hearing officer's report. The hearing officer read the proposed new District Facility Plan that includes: Construction of a new elementary school in the east side of the county, additions/renovations to Bullitt Lick Middle School, Hebron Middle School, Mt. Washington Elementary School, Cedar Grove Elementary School, Lebanon Junction Elementary School, Old Mill Elementary School and Nichols Elementary School and renovation to the Vocational/Technology Center in Priority 1. New Construction to replace inadequate spaces at Bernheim Middle School and Pleasant Grove Elementary School, major renovation/additions to Bullitt Central High School, Bullitt East High School, North Bullitt High School, Mount Washington Middle School and Marvville Elementary School, and District White Board Initiative (these projects are all listed in Priority (2) two). The plan also includes construction of two service bays and enclosing the existing wash bay at the bus garage facility in Priority Four (4). Several discretionary projects are listed in priority five (5).

The floor was opened to those who wished to make a statement. Three (3) people spoke in support of the proposed plan and felt it was a good plan for the Bullitt County School District. Mr. Dale Nall spoke and was glad that the plan included work to be done at Nichols Elementary School in priority number one. Chairman of the Board Mike Robison praised the process and the final plan. Mr. Steve Thompson, Director of Buildings and Grounds for the Bullitt County Schools, felt it was a good plan for the Bullitt Co. Schools. The speakers were very complimentary of the process and noted that hard work went into the plan from the committee members.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended by the hearing officer that the new District Facility Plan developed by the Bullitt County Local Planning Committee and adopted by the Bullitt County Board of Education

be approved as the District Facility Plan for the Bullitt County School District by the Kentucky Department of Education and the Kentucky State Board of Education. A copy of the new plan is attached.

Respectfully submitted, Reviewed by;

Grover M. Canty, Hearing Officer Timothy K. Lucas, KDE Fac. Mgmt.

cc: Mark W. Ryles, Director Attachments: Local/State Board Public Hearing Agenda
Planning File Bullitt Co. School District Facility Plan